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TITLE OF INVENTION: FLAME SYNTHESIS OF METAL SALT NANOPARTICLES, IN PARTICULAR CALCIUM AND PHOSPHATE

COMPRISING NANOPARTICLES

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DETAILED ACTION

1. This action is responsive to the amendment filed on April 19, 2010.

2. Claim 4 is canceled. Claims 1-3, 5-32 are now pending.

The terminal disclaimer filed on 4/19/2010 disclaiming the terminal portion of any patent

granted on this application which would extend beyond the expiration date of 10/557,339 has

been reviewed and is accepted. The terminal disclaimer has been recorded

Examiner's Amendment

3. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or

additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR

1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the

payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with

Richard F. Jaworski on 05/12/2010.

4. The application has been amended as follows:

Cancel claims 25-32 without prejudice.

Allowable Subject Matter

5. Claims 1-3, 5-24 are allowed.

6. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

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The most pertinent prior art known by the Examiner is listed in the attached form PTO-1449. Prior art of record, taken alone or in combination, do not teach or fairly suggest the claimed method for producing metal salts wherein said method comprises: a) forming a mixture

of at least one metal source of the cationic metal which is a <u>metal carboxylate</u> with a mean carbon number per carboxylate group of at least 3 and at least one <u>anion source</u> of the anionic group into <u>droplets</u>, and b) oxidizing said droplets in <u>a high temperature environment</u>, wherein

the cationic metal is any metal cation, and wherein the anionic group is selected from

phosphates, borates, silicates, sulfates, carbonates, hydroxides, fluorides and mixtures.

Accordingly, the presently claimed invention as defined by claims 1-3, 5-24 is patentable with

respect to prior art of record.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Examiner Information

7. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Bijan Ahvazi, Ph.D. whose telephone number is (571)270-3449. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F 8:0-5:0. (Off every other Friday).

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Harold Y. Pyon can be reached on 571-272-1498. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300. Information regarding the status of an application may be obtained from the Patent Application Information

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COMMUNICATION TO SUPPLEMENT INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

This Communication is submitted to supplement the Information Disclosure Statement filed

December 7, 2009.

Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.

I hereby certify that this paper is being deposited this date with the U.S. Postal Service as first class mail addressed to the Commissioner for

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REMARKS

On page 2 of the Information Disclosure Statement filed December 7, 2009,

Applicants indicated that copies of reference items 23-25 were not available but would be submitted as soon as available.

Applicants hereby submit copies of the reference items 23-25 which are attached hereto as Exhibits 1-3.

The Office is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required for consideration of this Communication and to credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 03-3125.

Early and favorable consideration of the case is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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